

Rice Energy Inc.  
Form 8-K  
February 02, 2017

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 30, 2017**

**RICE ENERGY INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
  
**of Incorporation)**

**001-36273**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**  
**2200 Rice Drive**

**46-3785773**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**Canonsburg, Pennsylvania 15317**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**(Zip Code)**

**(724) 271-7200**

**(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)**

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.05 Amendments to the Registrant's Code of Ethics, or Waiver of a Provision of the Code of Ethics.**

As part of its regular review of the corporate governance policies of Rice Energy Inc. (the Company), the Company's board of directors adopted and approved amendments to the Company's Corporate Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (the Code) on January 30, 2017. The amendments reflect revisions seeking to, among other things, clarify existing provisions of the Code.

The description of the amendments to the Code contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Code, which is available within the Corporate Governance section of the Company's website at <http://www.riceenergy.com>.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**RICE ENERGY INC.**

By: /s/ Daniel J. Rice IV  
Daniel J. Rice IV  
Director, Chief Executive Officer

Dated: February 2, 2017